Declaring May 25, 2020 as Memorial Day

In the United States, Memorial Day is recognized on the fourth Monday in May. Three years after the U. S. Civil War ended, on May 5, 1868, the head of an organization of Union veterans, the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR), established Decoration Day as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan declared that Decoration Day should be observed on May 30. In 1968, Congress passed the Uniform Holiday Act, designating Memorial Day as the last Monday in May rather than May 30, as it had previously been observed.

In observance of Memorial Day, we earnestly pause to remember the valiant women and men who served in the United States Armed Forces. We honor their service and their memory.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors recognize May 25, 2020 as Memorial Day in Los Angeles County and express heartfelt gratitude to the families who have lost a loved one in the defense of our nation.

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